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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jet Airways carried more passengers with fewer Aircraft as compared to Indian Airlines with a larger fleet;

(b) if so, the details of fleet of Indian Airlines and Jet Airways;

(c) the reasons for decline in traffic on Indian Airlines as compared to the Jet Airways;

(d) whether more than 60 per cent of Indian Airlines traffic is from Government departments; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) Jet Airways and Indian Airlines differ in their type of aircraft, seat capacity of each aircraft, executive/economy class configuration, network, operating crew flight and duty time limitations etc. Hence, the two airlines cannot be compared. In addition to domestic routes, Indian Airlines also operates services on international routes with their present fleet.
(b) Present fleet of Indian Airlines and Jet Airways are as follows :-

Aircraft Type with Indian Airlines	No. of aircraft with Jet Airways	No. of aircraft
B 737	11	30
A 320	36	
A 300	07	
DO 228	03	
ATR 72		08
Total	57	38

(c): The decline in traffic on the whole is due to depressed demand and negative growth in aviation sector. It affected Indian Airlines more because of its bigger network, capacity constraints and social obligation to provide links to remote areas.
(d)and (e): The source of funding of ticketing is not maintained by Indian Airlines.